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Column One

by

David Courtney

JUST now the Middle East disturbs the peace of mind of Paris, London and Washington more, probably, than the Far East. Events in the Pacific are calculable, as they are along the shores of the Atlantic and deep into the unnaturally deep hinterland of NATO. But along the Eastern and Southern beaches of the Mediterranean the incalculable begins. The miragic portent becomes indistinguishable from the substantial, and writes the outline of the future anew with every rising sun. Even the guesswork of the experts must be adjusted radically each night and morning.

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ONE day we are told that the British want an intermediate Middle East Command with headquarters in Cyprus but the Americans dislike the idea. The evidence next day is that the Americans think the notion tolerably sensible and will talk it over with the other sponsoring Powers. Both reports gave the impression that London and Washington were so doubtful of Egyptian and other Arab policy that they intended to ignore it for the sake of getting a planning scheme properly established, whereby they could study regional defence problems and shape the command against the possibility of more sympathetic Arab response in the future. Now we learn from our usual indomitable sources that the United States wants something to be called MEDO — Middle East Defence Organization —, which apparently would be a loose gathering of the Powers and the Middle East States charged to decide "in mutual discussion" the form of defence best suited to the sovereign nations in the area.

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ONE thing only is certain. Paris, London and Washington have not the slightest idea of how it will all turn out or which of the several proposals will come to pass; or when. It is clear that all of them, or Washington, still hanker after Egyptian participation and still think it an essential condition to an effective regional organization. The British, from all accounts, would prefer to go ahead and let the Egyptian come into the regional corral when time and their own self-interest have tamed them. But the British are also resolved upon keeping the Egyptian bases, for the simple reason that there are no substitutes capable of giving immediate effectiveness to any regional command. This resolve, natural enough in the strategic circumstances, can hardly avoid running into conflict with any plan to make a formal defence organization dependent on Egyptian goodwill.

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AS long as this situation remains, the keys to the problem will stay in the pockets of the three "strong men" of the Arab world — General Mohammed Nagib, Colonel Shishakly and Nuri. A fourth key, which needs oiling before it can be easily fitted into the lock, is held by the incredible Dr. Mossadegh, but may soon pass into the clenched fist of the Tudeh. What these men severally are up to is known, if at all, to themselves alone; and how long they will last is a matter known only to the overworked and terribly impulsive Fates. To add significant uncertainty to the decisive unknowns, there is also the sprawling question of Israel-Arab relations, on the subject of which London, Paris and Washington continue to be without any constructive judgement and probably without hope.

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ON the whole, therefore, the question of a Middle East Command seems to be as confused as ever. The probability seems to be that if the original sponsoring Powers want a unified regional organization within which they can begin planning at once, they must set it up independently of the Arab States and simultaneously [illegible] their influence, and the evidence of their will to go ahead, to encourage national stability and so bring about a common defence policy.

Tel Aviv, August 11.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Hundreds of thousands lined the streets of Buenos Aires yesterday to see the funeral procession of Eva Peron, who died 16 days ago. The cortege wound along a [illegible]-block route from the Capitol to the General Confederation of Labour building, where she will be buried temporarily.

[illegible] was killed in Egypt last night.

British Envoy, Maher to Meet 'Almost Daily'

CAIRO, Sunday. — Premier Ali Maher and British Ambassador Sir Ralph Stevenson today decided to maintain almost daily contact. This was announced by Sir Ralph after he emerged from a 30-minute meeting with Maher.

After his meeting with the British envoy the Premier remained closeted with General Mohammed Nagib for four consecutive hours. Later Ali Maher announced that there was complete understanding between the Government and the Army, and that they had discussed questions of coordination.

General Nagib again threatened action against political parties. In an interview with the "Al Ahram" published today the General was reported as saying: "If the political parties do not purge themselves we shall clean them up by force. We are in agreement with the Government on this subject."

No Principles

The Army C.-in-C. deplored that Egyptian parties are based on individuals and not on principles. "Have you not noticed," the paper quoted him as saying, "that their new programmes are the same? This being the case, why are there so many of them."

Nagib was today echoed by a spokesman of his headquarters who said: "The Army will not be jesting when it begins purging the various parties. It will cleanse them thoroughly."

A police statement by the Government was expected later tonight. It was expected to announce the lifting of martial law and to clarify its position on economic and social question.

(Cairo Radio, ANA, AFP)

Talal's Abdication Expected Today

BEIRUT, Sunday (Reuter). — King Talal is expected to abdicate tomorrow and his 17-year-old son Prince Hussein will be proclaimed King, according to reliable sources in close contact with Amman.

It was reported here last week that the Regency Council appointed in June to act for King Talal had called an extraordinary session of the National Assembly for tomorrow. The Assembly, it was understood, would be asked to consider the situation arising from the state of the King's health.

Talal, 42, is suffering from schizophrenia. It was reported in June that he would never again be fit to rule, the Cabinet having reached this decision after studying first-hand reports from Paris and Lausanne that his illness was growing progressively worse.

Deputies Reject Mossadegh Plea

TEHERAN, Sunday (AP). — Prime Minister Mossadegh's plea for continued martial law unexpectedly ran into a solid bloc of opposition from Nationalist Deputies today. Not one deputy supported the Government bill to extend martial law for another month, although Ministers said it was necessary for maintaining law and order.

National Front leaders went into caucus and decided to send a five-man delegation to Dr. Mossadegh to try to convince him to withdraw the bill.

The opposition was led by Shams Ghanat-Abadi, chief lieutenant of Majlis Speaker Ayatullah Kashani, who shouted: "It is impossible for a man to be a freedom lover and at the same time contrive things which are contrary to freedom. We do not need martial law at all. It is under this same martial law that our friends were arrested."

Martial law has been in effect since late March after a bloody street clash between [illegible] and Communists and has been extended every month. It actually ran out at the end of July but is still in ef[illegible] pending approval or rejection by the Majlis. If it is rejected, the Government should resign.

Pledge Support

Although Deputies opposed the bill, each emphasized that he is supporting the Mossadegh Government. Minister of the Interior Gholam Hossein Sadighi, defending the bill, told Parliament: "If we get rid of martial law it is probable that some people are going to misuse the situation." This is considered to be a reference to possible Communist disorders. But when one Deputy proposed the bill be deleted from the agenda, no action was taken.

Sadighi also told Parliament that the Government has not the slightest clue to the whereabouts of ex-Premier Ghavam.

Last night Mossadegh, angered by Senate resistance to his demands for dictatorial powers, threatened to resign his post. He refused to [illegible] Senate objections. This threat followed a stormy session in which key Senators protested the Premier's demand for blanket authority to run the country [illegible] Parliament [illegible].

Meanwhile, [illegible] Maki left Teheran for the U.S. by plane today under a long-standing invitation from the International Bank. Newspapers speculated he might try to reopen negotiations for an oil settlement, although Maki told Parliament several days ago that he was going on an informal visit and to get treatment for a kidney ailment.

The Bank has consistently emphasized its readiness to take up the oil question any time, although its mission in March failed.

Britain Revives Gaza Alternative

By George Lichtheim,
POST Correspondent

LONDON, Sunday. — The transfer of the bulk of the British garrison in Suez Canal Zone to Gaza was understood to have been formally suggested when Ambassador Ralph Stevenson met General Mohammed Nagib and Premier Ali Maher last week for discussion of Middle East defence.

Under the amended British scheme only ordnance depots and workshops would remain in Canal Zone under joint Anglo-Egyptian control or possibly under an Egyptian commander with British and Egyptian officers sharing maintenance responsibility.

General Sir Brian Robertson's headquarters, controlling all British forces in the Middle East and East Africa would either move to Libya or be distributed among various British garrisons while mobile forces would be stationed in the Gaza strip and supplied via the coastal railway spanning the Suez Canal at Kantara. The force would be on a tactical basis and able to supply itself with a minimum of outside assistance, while the main storage base would remain in the Canal Zone.

Smaller mobile units, including air forces, would go to Libya, Malta, Cyprus and possibly Jordan, and the planning staff would be established on Cyprus in accordance with the scheme which leaked out to the press last week and has now been officially submitted to other interested governments.

Cairo May Accept

It is believed there is a good chance that the new Egyptian regime will be willing to accept this revival of the solution repeatedly rejected by earlier governments. The drawbacks are mainly technical and will chiefly fall on British troops stationed in Gaza where living conditions are primitive.

The first reaction of Nagib and Maher seems to have been cautiously favourable. If found acceptable, the scheme would facilitate Egypt's subsequent joining the Middle East planning body which, however, in the British view should be organised now without waiting for Arab participation.

It is believed that neither the Arabs nor Israel are likely to raise serious objections to the location of mobile British forces in the Gaza strip. An unknown factor is the [illegible] of Nagib's ability to disregard the [illegible] of those Wafdist leaders now threatened by the purge and who are likely to mobilise nationalist agitation against anything resembling a sell-out of so-called Egyptian aspirations.

No Approach To Israel on MEDO

Israel has been approached neither officially nor unofficially in connection with the proposed Middle East Defence Organization and neither official nor unofficial talks have been conducted with Israel representatives on the subject, a Ministry for Foreign Affairs spokesman said in Jerusalem yesterday.

Since the SACME discussions last year, the Israel Government had not been approached on the issue, although at the time of those discussions it had been stated that Israel would be kept informed of developments, the spokesman added.

He explained that the Government's request for American arms was in no way connected with Middle East defence programmes.

Grant Funds

In answer to questions, the Foreign Ministry spokesman announced that it was expected that the first $17.5m. from the second U.S. Grant-in-Aid would be released this week. He said there was no new development in the consolidation of Israel's short-term debts now being discussed in the U.S.

Speaking of the [illegible] Schilling credit received by the Bank Leumi from Austrian banks, the spokesman pointed out that the credit had been received after prolonged and difficult negotiations initiated and conducted by the Consul in Vienna, Mr. A. Eshel.

Asked about the German Templars' claim for compensation for their property in Israel, the spokesman said that the question was in no way connected with German reparations. The Government had received no request for any such compensation.

ANZUS Military to Consider Pacific Area Security Plan

HONOLULU, Sunday (Reuter). A plan of action to meet the threat to Pacific security if Chinese Communists thrust into Indo-China is expected to be the first consideration of the strategic planners of the new three-power Pacific Defence Council.

The military representatives of the three powers — U.S., Australia and New Zealand — will meet here next month to work out plans in line with the overall policy agreed at the meeting of their Foreign Ministers here last week, when they voted Indo-China the region's chief danger area.

The planners will meet at the Pearl Harbour headquarters of Admiral Arthur Radford, U.S. Commander-in-Chief in the Pacific, whose own planning staff has been working on problems in the South-East Asia area since the outbreak of the Korean war.

British and U.S. top-level military men have also been in close collaboration regarding measures to meet the same threat of Chinese intervention since their first meeting in Singapore over a year ago.

ANZAM—the intelligence and planning organization located in Melbourne and comprising representatives of the armed forces of Australia, New Zealand and Malaya—has been engaged on similar work for some time.

Delegates to last week's meeting of the ANZUS Foreign Ministers were left with no doubt as to the serious extent to which Pacific security would be affected by Chinese intervention in Indo-China.

According to a recent official French estimate the Communist-dominated Vietminh administration has over [illegible] troops mustered in Indo-China. At present they are receiving only material aid from across the Chinese frontier. The hard-pressed French Union forces in Indo-China are now approaching [illegible]; including the growing Vietnam army, but total air supremacy is a decisive factor in the French favour.

Burma was also pointed to as a country that could easily be chosen by China's Communists as a target for aggression. It was stressed that an unstable Burma torn by confused internal conflicts would not only be vulnerable but would be a difficult country for non-Communist powers other than India to bolster with effective aid.

ANZUS delegates had on hand the latest intelligence estimates of the strength of China's armed forces but there was little factual information concerning disposition and equipment. Taipeh (Formosa) sources at the beginning of this year put China's Communist forces on the mainland at 5 million men under arms of which 2 million were believed to be in Korea and Manchuria.

MANUS BASE

SYDNEY, Sunday (Reuter).—Australia has invited the U.S. to use the giant naval and air base on Manus Island in the Admiralty group which the U.S. built during the war, External Affairs Minister Richard Casey said today.

Returning from the Three-power Anzus Council meeting at Honolulu, Mr. Casey said Australia had been engaged on extensive works to bring Manus back into its war-time condition.

SABOTAGE DERAILS SYRIAN TRAIN

Heavy material damage was caused when a train flew off the track between E-Riak and Homs yesterday, Damascus Radio reported. There were no casualties.

The radio said several men suspected of removing a section of the rails were detained.

ANA described the incident last night as the first act of sabotage since Colonel Adib Shishakly's coup last year.

Moscow Site of USSR Navy Day Fete

MOSCOW, Sunday (Reuter). — Moscow, which since the opening of the Volga-Don canal has been a five-seas port, today marked Navy Day with a parade of warships specially dispatched to the capital.

The naval display, held at the Khimki reservoir on the Moskva-Volga canal, included a beachhead landing and demonstrations of helicopter take-offs from land, water and moving ships.

All newspapers have given prominence to Navy Minister Kuznetsov's order of the day calling for 20-salvo salutes from Soviet warships in the Black sea, Baltic and Pacific.

Editorials and feature articles referring to Russia's "mighty fleet" appeared in the principal newspapers. The articles emphasised that the Russian people should heed Marshal Stalin's injunction that while engaged in peaceful labour they should "never for one minute forget that the intrigues of international reaction are nourishing plans for a new world war."

U.S. COMMANDER PRAISES RHEE

TOKYO, Sunday (Reuter). — The United Nations Commander in Korea, General Mark Clark, today congratulated Dr. Syngman Rhee on his re-election as President of the South Korean Republic, and described him as "an inspiring example" to the rest of the world.

Gen. Clark's message sent from Tokyo to the South Korean Capital of Pusan said "please accept my congratulations upon your re-election as President by the overwhelming majority of the people of Korea. The free democratic peoples of the world have long had before them the inspiring example of your fight for freedom and independence."

The message surprised some political observers in Tokyo, who understood that the General had recently protested strongly to Dr. Rhee about what he considered undemocratic tactics in his treatment of the opposition.

U.N. Frees Last Of Civilian Internees

TOKYO, Sunday (Reuter). — The last 1,300 of 37,000 Korean civilian internees once held by the U.N. Command were released today, it was announced here.

Some of the civilian internees were captured while fighting in the North Korean army but the Command after investigation concluded they had been pressed into service and had not fought willingly.

Ground forces were having a tough time in Korea, Major-General Cassels, commander of the British Commonwealth Division, said today. He warned the Commonwealth peoples against complacency. "Very few if any days go by without us having a casualty," he said.

American land-based fighters and British planes from the carrier H.M.S. Ocean shot down two Communist MIG-15 fighters and damaged three others yesterday as Allied pilots ran their victory string without a loss to six straight days. Propeller-driven British fighters accounted for one MIG destroyed and three damaged in three actions off Korea's west coast.

Portuguese Remove Macao Barricades

HONG KONG, Sunday (Reuter) — Portuguese colonial troops at Macao today removed their wire barricades on the frontier and moved back their positions about 50 metres, according to usually reliable reports reaching here.

The reported withdrawal follows truce talks yesterday between delegates representing Macao and Chinese Communist officials. They were trying to reopen land and sea communications between Macao and China, following two series of machine-gun and mortar clashes that began on July 26.

The Portuguese move today was said to have greatly eased tension in Macao, but land and sea communications have not yet been resumed.

Schuman Pool Not To Take Government Orders

LUXEMBURG, Sunday (Reuter). — The world's first "supra-national" officers — the nine members of Western Europe's six-power Schuman Coal and Steel Pool High Authority — today pledged themselves "neither to request nor to accept instructions from any government organization."

The pledge was voiced by their Chairman, M. Jean Monnet of France.

2,000 Voices Sing for 40,000 People at Ramat Gan Stadium

Jerusalem POST Bureau

RAMAT GAN, Sunday. — Twenty-two choirs, assembled on the grass of the stadium here, sang in succession for more than three hours tonight at the first Jewish International Festival, organized by Hazamir. Nearly 40,000 people assembled in the stadium to hear the 2,000 choristers.

The performance started shortly before sunset. As darkness fell, flood lights were focussed on the performers. The men and women stood out brightly in their white shirts in the limelight, while surrounding them in the darkness, the grandstand resembled a crater strangely alight with sparks from burning cigarettes.

The loud-speakers from the field were faulty, and many of the finer passages were lost to the audience. Crowds of children, too, found it difficult to concentrate for so long and proved an added disturbance.

The Acting President, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak; the Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, and the Ramat Gan Mayor, Mr. A. Krinitzi were among those present in the main box lodge.

The programme was varied, and included many religious and modern Israel songs, while most foreign choirs included in their performance some tunes of their native lands.

American choirs sang Negro spirituals and Gershwin melodies, a London choir sang a Scotch ballad, the Yugoslavs had songs from Serbian folklore.

Before the choirs assembled for their final number, in which they all sang together, Foreign Minister Sharett said though the diversity of songs, he could hear the [illegible] of the Jewish [illegible] singing.

"We celebrate today our joy of being free," he said. Mr. Krinitzi and Mr. A. Z. Propes, the organizer of the Festival, also spoke.

The united choirs then sang [illegible] songs with Mr. Shlomo Kaplan conducting.

As the full moon rose over the stadium, the Hatikva was sung and while the crowds dispersed, the dancers danced the Hora on the grass.

U.S. Guarantees Investors Here

The American Government will ensure the investments of Americans in Israel against the risk of loss from expropriation and the possible inconvertibility of profits and principals into dollars, according to the terms of an agreement concluded on Friday.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman announced in Jerusalem yesterday that an exchange of notes between Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett and Ambassador Monnett B. Davis, dated August 7 and 8, had established a system of protection for U.S. nationals desiring to make investments in Israel. The agreement has resulted from recent conversations between representatives of the two governments.

A prospective investor, after having received approval of his investment from the Investment Centre at Hakirya, may now negotiate a guarantee-contract with the Mutual Security Agency in Washington. In the event of his being unable to convert his guaranteed profit or capital as provided under the investment law, he will be reimbursed in dollars by the U.S. Government.

U.S. to Get Accounts

If the guarantee of convertibility is invoked, then the U.S. Government will acquire the investor's blocked currency in Israel Pounds and will claim the dollar equivalent — at the same rate of exchange as originally fixed by the Investment Centre — from the Israel Government.

If the guarantee against expropriation is invoked, then the U.S. Government will take over the investor's claim against the Government and will receive any compensation awarded to him.

The spokesman added that it was "expected that the new Agreement will greatly contribute to the promotion of investments by U.S. individuals and companies in Israel."

Any claims under this agreement may be handled on a diplomatic level rather than litigated through national judicial or administrative tribunals. Provision is made for international arbitration or adjudication if necessary.

Similary agreements have been previously signed by the U.S. with Austria, Denmark, Greece, France, Italy and Norway. The agreement in Israel will be executed under Mr. Bruce McDaniel, Technical Cooperation Administration Director in Israel.

In a press statement yesterday, Mr. McDaniel explained:

The purpose of this guaranty "insurance" programme is simple. The U.S. government is calling on private productive forces to fill a vital, and a natural, role in our foreign policy. Our main task is to help other nations to increase their productive power and their productivity, as speedily and as economically as possible.

Dollar appropriations are not the permanent answer to our mutual problems. Private capital, with its wealth of technical and managerial skills, and its intimate, man-to-man contacts, is the natural agent for handling the job.

When private enterprise can be induced to play its full part in the economic effort of Israel, the need for direct governmental assistance from the United States will be minimized.

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Sharett Reviews Foreign Policy

At its weekly meeting yesterday, the Cabinet heard a review of foreign policy by Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett, the official communique said.

The Cabinet approved both the transfer of the Development Administration from the Ministry of Agriculture to the Finance Ministry, and the establishment of an Administration for Water Affairs within the Ministry of Agriculture. Both are to be headed by Mr. P. [illegible].

Discussions were started on dividing the country into districts and regions.

It was decided to publish the Bill of Evidence in order to receive public reaction.

B.G. Sees Israel as Centre Of Jewish Medical Scholarship

Jerusalem POST Reporter

"Our kingdom shall be the kingdom of the spirit," Prime Minister Ben Gurion said as he officially inaugurated the Second World Congress of Jewish Physicians at last night's impressive opening session in Jerusalem.

The Edison cinema in Jerusalem was packed by distinguished physicians from Israel and abroad to hear the Prime Minister laud the role of Jewish men of science throughout the ages, and urge upon today's men of art and healing a double task: to continue the splendid tradition of Jewish scholarship in medicine and to make the Jewish State a centre of this tradition.

Loud applause came from the ranks of European and American doctors when he concluded with the firm assurance that "this Congress will strengthen the forces of the free Jewish spirit."

Dr. M. Sherman, veteran president of the Congress, read fraternal greetings from President Weizmann and Mrs. Vera Weizmann, who regretted their inability to attend.

In the name of the Zionist Movement, Mr. Berl Locker, Co-chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, greeted the physicians of Israel, who had contributed so much to the building of Israel and were about to make further sacrifices.

After Chief Rabbi Ben Zion Uziel welcomed the assembly for the Israel Rabbinate, a brief survey of progress in Israel's medical services was given by the Minister of Health, Dr. Y. Burg. He noted that Government hospitals had grown in four years from a 500 bed-capacity to 4,000, but that even this by no means satisfied the demand.

"The terrible wound of the Nazi slaughter caused not only the loss of millions but also a deep disturbance, mental and physical, to the survivors. Israel provided occupational therapy, as it were, to these victims of barbarism — but even more, Israel has found the only way of rehabilitation possible for these unfortunates."

The pride of Jerusalem's citizens in being host to the Second World Congress was voiced by the Acting Mayor, Mr. E. [illegible].

Professor B. Mazar, Rector of the Hebrew University, spoke of the University's pioneer work on Mount Scopus and its courageous revival under the present hard conditions.

Dr. M. J. Robbins then replied for the American delegation which he leads, and also sent greetings from the American Physicians Fellowship, strongly represented at the Congress. The French delegation, which accounts for [illegible] physicians of repute, was represented by Professor H. Baruk, of Paris, and the assembly ended with a lecture by Dr. Z. Avigdori, chairman of the Israel Medical Association's Central Committee, on the problems of a physician in Israel.

Israel Tennis Team Win at Ankara

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—In their first match in the three-cornered tennis contest between Israel, Turkey and Yugoslavia in Ankara, the Israel men's doubles pair Arye Weiss and Yehuda Finkelkraut beat Suat and Osman, of Turkey, 3:6, 6:3, 6:4, 6:3.

The games are to continue today.

Govt. Mission To Buy Reparations Goods in Germany

All purchases under the German reparations agreement are to be made by an Israel Purchasing Mission, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said yesterday in Jerusalem. The Mission will have an office in Germany and act on behalf of a Government body to be established after the agreement is signed.

A final and detailed list of the goods has not yet been agreed upon. A general one which permits considerable flexibility as regards the final list has been formulated. The Government is to use part of the reparations to cover current consumption within the framework of the one-year import programme, he said.

The general purchase plan is based on the development plans, particularly the one prepared by Dr. S. Throne, adviser to the Finance Ministry. The spokesman noted that the German commodities would not be of a nature such as would have harmful effects on Israel industry.

Import Licences

Reparation goods will be allocated on the basis of import licences issued by the Ministries concerned, as provided in Dr. Throne's plan and in the Government's one-year import programme. The Mission will buy only goods covered by import licences. The purchases are to be made directly, without intermediaries, after the prices of various producers are compared.

Immediately after the agreement is signed and the Israel Hague delegation returns, the Ministerial Committee on German Reparations will make the necessary organizational and personnel arrangements for executing the agreement.

"No basis whatsoever exists for the rumours and guesses about allocations already made, discrimination, or the lack of plans," the spokesman said. He maintained that no decision had been made on the percentage of reparations to be used for current consumption, rather than for development.

It has not yet been decided whether Dr. Throne's "overall" plan, based on more than [illegible] of reparations, or the "reduced" plan, based on half this sum, will be implemented.

Asked about the reparations received by Israel for World Jewry, who would be recompensated by Israel, the spokesman said that this is a matter between Israel and World Jewry

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Shops to Get Goods Under New System

A new system whereby textile and footwear retailers will obtain goods from wholesalers and manufacturers without first obtaining Government permission takes effect today, Mr. Y. Lamdan, Director of the Textile and Leather Division of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, announced yesterday. Several items, however, such as white cloth and diapers will still require Ministry permission.

Under the new system, each retailer will be able to draw a certain percentage each month of the coupons he has deposited with the Coupon Bank. He will be given a slip for the amount of coupons withdrawn which he will present to the wholesaler.

During the present month, which begins today and ends on September 15, retailers can draw [illegible] per cent of the total coupons at their disposal. The percentage system was instituted so that demand will not exceed supply, Mr. Lamdan said.

The Coupon Bank is to be closed today and tomorrow so suitable arrangements can be made to institute the system. In the future, the bank will be closed on the 15th of every month.

Memorial Service For Eliezer Kaplan

A memorial service on the occasion of the 30th day since the death of Mr. Eliezer Kaplan was held yesterday in Bet [illegible] in Jerusalem.

Mr. Kaplan was eulogized by Dr. Dov Joseph, Minister of Commerce and Industry; Mr. Z. Shazar, of the Jewish Agency Executive, and Mr. David Horowitz, former Director General of the Ministry of Finance.

An enlarged portrait of Mr. Kaplan was hung over several tiers of red flowers and flanked by black drapes and two tall burning candles. The solemn assembly included the late Mr. Kaplan's close friends and colleagues in the Government.

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Social & Personal

Dr. [illegible], a member of the Indian Senate, yesterday visited the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem and was received by the Co-chairman of the Executive, Mr. Berl Locker.

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Mr. Nathaniel C. [illegible], of Los Angeles, Vice-President of the Bank of America, was the guest of honour at a reception given on Saturday evening by the chairman of the Jewish National Fund, and Mrs. Granott, at their home in Jerusalem.

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Mr. Mark [illegible], Director and General Manager of the Palestine Corporation Ltd., and Mrs. [illegible] have returned from a visit to the United Kingdom.

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Mr. Ya'acov Yannai, formerly Deputy Director-General of the Defence Ministry, yesterday assumed his new duties as Deputy Director-General of the Finance Ministry.

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Mr. Hillel [illegible], Assistant Director of the Sanitation Division of the Ministry of Health, has returned from the U.S. where he studied for 18 months on a World Health Organization scholarship.

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Mrs. [illegible], chairman of the Permanent Committee of the Friends of the Hebrew University in London, has arrived for a short visit.

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The Rotary Club of Nathanya held its first organizational meeting last week and the following Board of Directors was elected: [illegible], president; D. [illegible], secretary; K. Adler, treasurer, and Messrs. S. Friedlander, L. Meyerson, [illegible], H. Ben Amar, M. Arkin and Judge [illegible], members.

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Mr. Naftali Bar-Giora has returned from Aden and India on behalf of the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency.

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Mrs. Sophie [illegible] of New York, is leaving Jerusalem today after a two-month stay.

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The premiere of Jean Paul Sartre's play, "The Respectful Prostitute," will be presented by the Ohel Theatre in Tel Aviv on Tuesday and Wednesday.

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BIRTH & BRITH MILAH

AHARONI — To Esther, wife of Mr. Moshe Aharoni (Aharonowitz), on Thursday, August 7, 1952—a son. The Brith Milah will take place at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, August 14, 1952 at Assuta Hospital, Tel Aviv.

Police Get Rest Home in Nazareth

NAZARETH, Sunday (ITIM). — The first rest house for police officers and other ranks was opened here last week in what was formerly the "Austrian Hostel," which used to serve Austrian pilgrims to Nazareth. It has been reconditioned complete with library, recreation rooms and a gymnasium.

Every policeman in Israel is expected to get 10 days' rest there. It accommodates 60 persons at a time. While there, ranks are forgotten in an atmosphere of complete relaxation.

Where to go

★ JERUSALEM ★

8-7: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, Romema. Bus 15. Feeding time 2-3 p.m.
9-1, 3-6 (tomorrow 10-1): Exhibitions: British Book Design, 1952. Jewish Medicine through the Ages—on the occasion of the 2nd World Congress of Jewish Physicians in Jerusalem. Sculpture by Marc Antokolsky. Exhibit of the month: Dr. Ephraim Bueno, etching, 1647 (B. 278, second state) by Rembrandt Harmensz van Rijn, on loan from the Schocken Library, Jerusalem. Bezalel Museum.
9-1: Art Library Bezalel Museum.
10-6: Archaeological Exhibition. Dept. of Antiquities. Also Temporary exhibition—Recent acquisitions: 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-1: Sanhedria Tombs.
11-1, 5-7: Exhibition of Children's Art. Israel Touring Club, Talbieh.
11.30-12.30 Film Shows at Keren Hayesod Head Office.

★ TEL AVIV ★

10-1: Exhibition of oils, gouaches and drawings by [illegible]. Museum.

★ HAIFA ★

9-1.30: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue.
8 p.m.: "Arsenic and Old Lace." Premiere Chamber Theatre, [illegible] Hall.

★ RAMAT GAN ★

8.30 p.m.: Li-La-Lo Theatre, Rama Hall, Sensational Revue [illegible].

Jerusalem Cinemas

at 7 and 9 p.m.
ARMON: Symphonie Pastorale.
EDEN: [illegible]
EDISON: Faithful City (2nd Week).
ORION: Inside the Walls of Folsom Prison.
STUDIO: Inspector General.
ZION: No Highway in the Sky.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 209 M.; TEL AVIV: 48.9, 33.3 & 30 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

News: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.10, 12.00, 1.30, 6.15, 9.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 5.30 a.m.-2.15 & 9.30 p.m. [illegible]

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SECOND PROGRAMME

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THE HEBREW NATIONAL
OPERA
TEL AVIV Habimah
Tomorrow, August 12 9 p.m.
REHOVOT [illegible]
Sunday, August 24 8.30 p.m.
"Faust"
Opera in 5 Acts by C. F. Gounod
with
MARTIN LAWRENCE
of the Covent Garden Opera in leading role Mephisto
[illegible]
Conductor: [illegible]
[illegible]

Malpractices Criticized In State Controller's Report

By Economicus

CONSIDERABLE progress has been made in the administration of Government property, with revenue increased from IL.18,856 in 1949/50 to IL.199,076 in 1950/51. A similar development is noticeable in the field of absentee property where lease agreements were signed with 36,297 tenants (87 per cent of the total number) against 45,106 in 1949/50 and rent collection rose from IL.1,036,800 to IL.1,330,514; but the administration of plantations and other rural property was still inadequate.

Among irregularities two or three cases stand out: that of a welfare officer who rented, under false names, six shops in Jaffa, and was fined IL.100, though the report does not say that he was dismissed. The sale of certain plots in North Tel Aviv formed the object of a special report of the Controller to the Finance Committee of the Knesset. Then there is the case of the "Golden Spindle," a textile factory at Beit Dagon, which was sold for IL.37,000 (to whom?) without public tender; since August, 1950, such tenders have been made obligatory.

Economic Departments

The liquidation of the Supply and Rationing Department in November, 1950, necessitated a reorganization of the various accounts sections, and the final balance sheet of the liquidated department had not reached the Controller when he made his report.

Here again, special reports were submitted to the Finance Committee of the Knesset on the legality of surtaxes and the equalization fund, and of the "commercial account." Last year's recommendations concerning fundamental changes in the complicated accountancy system were implemented, but the Controller is less satisfied with arrangements in respect of confiscated stores.

He also criticises severely malpractices in the issue of import licences and the release of goods: special cases mentioned include that of a senior official — now no longer in Government service — whose father was given unlawful facilities, and another case where an irregular release was ordered by an official who belonged to the management of the importing company.

In the Ministry of Agriculture, the control of wheat stores and flour mills was found insufficient. The Controller also objects to certain special food rations, particularly when the reason stated on the form was simply: "decision of the director," as well as to the bank account of the fisheries section in Haifa being kept in the private name of an official.

The purchase of [illegible] at excessive prices, special food allocations to his [illegible] employees by the director of the district food control office in Haifa, and foreign currency allocations for the purchase of pipes, chemicals, tractors, etc., at higher than market prices were among transactions to which the Controller had to draw attention.

Complaints concerning the Ministry of Commerce and Industry about imports of refrigerators and other import licences were in the majority of cases found to be unjustified, and delays in dealing with applications were frequently, though not always, due to lack of coordination with other offices. On the other hand, various drawbacks were noticed in invoicing and collecting payments to the equalization funds; in the case of a single importer, the accumulated debt amounted to IL.[illegible] but the goods were released before payment.

Foreign Missions

The missions in Paris, London, Rome, Brussels, Amsterdam, The Hague, Zurich, Geneva, and Warsaw were the principal object of the Controller's activities in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He points out with satisfaction that most of his observations have been followed up with good results. In the main, these observations pointed to inadequate administrative organization, frequently due to lack of properly trained staff. Redundance of employees in other respects, the handling of diplomatic mail and of accounts, salaries, and representation are dealt with at some length.

A special chapter is devoted to other foreign representations of the Government and of various Israel institutions, and to the need for closer contact with the diplomatic missions.

The Defence Ministry appears only in a few remarks on rehabilitation of veterans and handling of war victims, a section whose staff could be reduced from [illegible] to 187. Records of stores and accountancy in institutions of the Health Department come in for some technical criticism, and the Controller also objects to the low rates of compensation paid for hospitalization in Government institutions by the Workers' Sick Fund—[illegible] to 750 prutot per day in 1950, against the Fund's cost of IL.[illegible] in its own hospitals. A special committee on questions of hospitalization was appointed.

Milk distribution to schoolchildren was one of the first items that interested the Controller in the Education Department, and accounts met with his strong disapproval, since no balance sheets had been drawn up for three years. Meanwhile, the complete organization, a legacy of the Vaad Leumi, has been taken over by the Government.

More disturbing are the difficulties connected with teachers' salaries, witness the fact that in 1950/51 alone the department received no less than 3,000 "blames" on this subject.

Second part of a summary of the Controller's report for 1950/51; the first part appeared yesterday, the conclusion will appear tomorrow.

Changes Heralded for New American Administration

WASHINGTON, Sunday (Reuter). — Official Washington is adapting itself to the certainty of a complete shake-up of the government next January — whether under "President Ike" or "President Stevenson." Such a change would be automatic if a Republican administration under Eisenhower is elected.

But even if the Democratic Party wins the election for the sixth time in succession, its chosen leader, Adlai Stevenson, is expected to choose new men for cabinet posts and to reorganize completely the present Democratic Party regime.

A hint of this was given by Mr. Stevenson himself in his acceptance speech last week when he said, "Do you doubt the power of any political leader, if he has the will to do so, to set his own house in order?"

It is generally expected that the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, will resign at the end of the Truman administration and the obvious choice for this leading post in a "Stevenson administration" is Mr. Averell Harriman, whose past experience under the late President Roosevelt and Mr. Truman give him strong claims to this post.

More than usual importance will be attached to the post of Attorney General because of the conditions which led to one government scandal after another and charges of corruption against almost every level of the Democratic administration. The appointment of Senator Kefauver to this post would be dramatically appropriate in view of the acclaim he won for his crime investigations into connection between organized crime and organized politics.

The Democratic Party's choice for the vice-Presidency, Mr. John Sparkman, has asked a Negro leader, Democratic Congressman Dan Powell to give him "full support" in November. The Senator, a Southerner, declined to commit himself on several questions about civil rights the traditional issue between the northern and southern wings of the Democratic party.

In his first press conference since he won the Republican Presidential nomination, delivered at Denver, General Eisenhower announced that his campaign would probably begin about September 1—Labour Day.

He said that he and Senator Richard Nixon, Republican candidate for the vice-presidency, would wage a fighting campaign in "all the nooks and crannies" of the U.S.

U.S. RADAR NET NOT COMPLETE

WASHINGTON, Sunday (UP). — Major General Frederic H. Smith, Deputy Air Defence Commander, said on Friday that the radar net guarding the northeast approaches to the U.S. was "still mostly on paper." The Canadian network was still far from completion.

The brightest spot in outermost radar defences against attack was at Alaska which "has some radars now operating and more planned."

France, China Sign £1m. Barter Deal

BERLIN, Sunday (Reuter). — French businessmen have signed agreements with Chinese representatives here for an exchange of goods worth over £1m., the East German News Agency ADN reported yesterday.

Under the agreements, which were part of a £4m. exchange agreed at the Moscow economic conference last spring, China will send France tea, silk, egg products, skins and soya beans in return for rolling mill products and chemicals, particularly pharmaceuticals.

Nazi General Freed For 'Good Behaviour'

WASHINGTON, Sunday (INA). — Official sources here have confirmed the report that Nazi General Rheinhardt had been released from Landsberg prison for good behaviour.

Formerly a member of the Nazi General Staff, he was originally sentenced to 15 years in prison. He was released on July 27.

REVIEW OF OPINION IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Need for Cooperation Between Doctors Here and Abroad Stressed

Welcoming participants and guests to the World Jewish Physicians Congress "Haboker" (General Zionist) says that Israel offers many complicated and perhaps unique problems to be solved. The paper stresses the importance of preventive medicine and says that the strengthening of cooperation between Jewish physicians in this country and abroad will have a favourable effect on the situation in this country. The paper expresses regret that Jewish physicians from the other side of the Iron Curtain are not taking part in the Congress, and it says that a regime of freedom and democracy is the prerequisite for the beneficial effect of medicine on all mankind.

"Haboker" expresses the hope that many of the guests from abroad will eventually settle in this country.

"Davar" (Histadrut) comments on the elections to the workers council at Migdal Ascalon: 9,000 Histadrut members there, 75 per cent of the total population, are entitled to vote. "Davar" notes the great progress made in the last four years notwithstanding all obstacles and hardships, complaints and bitterness.

Many work in the nearby orchards and public works, and 500 are employed by the irrigation pipe factory. All are proud of the Histadrut which has been of paramount importance in the development of the city. There are four lists contesting: Mapai, Mapam, Le'ahdut Avoda and Ha'oved Hatzioni. The Communists advised their followers to vote for Mapam.

Moslem Brotherhood

The correspondent for Arab affairs of "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) says that the "Moslem Brotherhood" in Egypt is without any importance as a political factor, and that it has been internationally "played up" by certain Western sources and Israel observers. "Ha'aretz" does not share this opinion and it emphasises in an editorial the growing importance of the "Brotherhood" in recent days. The paper says that it is not impossible that the ousting of Farouk may be followed by the fall of the Court's great rival, the Wafd, and that new forces will appear on the political scene. In view of the present dispute between the Cairo junta and the old Wafd leadership, it is not unlikely that the officers will collaborate with the "Brotherhood" against the Wafd, and that it might take the place of the "Ozon" in Pilsudski Poland or the popular party founded by the Itihad circle in Kemalist Turkey.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) protests against the decision to cut the weekly schedule of the schools by three to four hours. The paper says that this is a typical imperialist Washington intrigue to pave the way for bigger armaments.

"Hatzofe" (Hapoel Hamizrahi) on the other hand comments on the call of the present Mizrahi conference that a common board for unified religious education should be established. Up to now, says the paper, Agudat Israel has rejected all these offers and proposals.

"Herut" returns to one of its favourite pastimes: to teach the "diplomats of the Foreign Ministry" how to make policy. An active Israel policy is not tantamount to war, says the paper; on the contrary it is the task of diplomacy to achieve its aims without using force. The paper rejects the explanation given by the Foreign Minister in the Knesset in reply to a "Herut" demand to discuss at once the security situation, and criticizes the fact that the threats and provocations by the various dictators have remained unanswered. Our first line of defence is in foreign policy, says the paper; a Knesset debate would not reveal any military secrets to our enemies, but it is high time that the public should be given the opportunity to judge on our foreign policy in relation to the neighbouring countries.

India's Special Acts Prolonged

NEW DELHI, Sunday (Reuter). — The Indian House of the People, despite fierce opposition from Communist and extreme Rightist members, last week prolonged for 27 months the Government's power to jail without trial anyone acting or likely to act in a manner prejudicial to India's security.

The measure was passed by 298 votes to 80.

According to the latest Home Ministry figures, 987 people are in detention throughout India under the terms of the act. They include Communists, princes, landowners, and black marketeers.

The Government will give another opportunity to Parliament in November 1953 to consider whether the act should continue or be repealed.

Chief Rabbi of France Buried in Alsatia

Dr. Isaie Schwartz, Grand Rabbin de France (whose death was briefly reported) was buried last week at Westhofen in his native Alsatia. At a solemn service held in the central synagogue of the Rue de la Victoire in Paris, the President of the Republic, the Cabinet, the Archbishop of Paris and the head of the Protestant Community were represented.

Before his election to the Chief Rabbinate of France, in 1939, Dr. Schwartz officiated at Strasbourg. During the war, he was arrested by the Gestapo and suffered great hardship. He escaped eventually and went for eight months into hiding in the mountains of Southern France. Subsequently he was prominent in refugee work.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: [illegible]
TEL AVIV: [illegible]
RAMAT GAN: [illegible]
HAIFA: [illegible]

Two More World Records Smashed

Two world records were beaten at a meeting in London last week. The Australian quartet bettered the women's world record for the 440 yards relay at an International Meeting at the White City Stadium, when they won in 46.2 seconds to knock 0.6 seconds off the 46.9 set by the South African team at Pretoria last year. The Aussies' wonder trio, Marjorie Jackson, Shirley Strickland and Winsome Cripps, with Verna Johnston, achieved the new "high."

At the same meeting, the American team of William Aschenfelter, Robert Pearman, John Barnes and Mal Whitfield clocked 7 minutes 29.2 seconds in the 880 yards relay to lower the world mark, set by England on the same track less than a year ago, by 1.4 seconds. *(Reuter)*

U.S. Baseball Results

NEW YORK, Aug. 4. — Baseball scores and standings today:

National League
Pittsburgh 10, New York 8

American League
New York 6, St. Louis 4

National League

	W	L	Pct		W	L	Pct
Brooklyn	66	30	.688	Chicago	51	50	.505
N. York	60	37	.619	Boston	42	58	.420
St. Louis	58	44	.569	Cin'nati	42	61	.408
Phil'phia	54	47	.535	Pittsb'gh	30	76	.283

American League

	W	L	Pct		W	L	Pct
N. York	61	43	.587	Phil'phia	50	48	.510
Clevel'd	58	46	.558	Chicago	53	51	.510
Boston	55	45	.550	St. Louis	43	63	.406
Wash'n	54	47	.535	Detroit	36	67	.350

Notice to the Public

FOR THE ATTENTION OF EMPLOYERS

In accordance with para 12 of the Reserves Law (Payment) 1952, and the Regulations of the Minister of Labour for the Implementation of this Law (Kovetz Hatakanot No. 280), every employer must remit 1½ per cent of salaries paid by him to his employees for the period after July 1, 1952. This payment must be made to the Assessing Officer to whom a statement must be submitted in accordance with para 4 of the Income Tax Regulations (Deduction from Salaries) 1949.

The equalization fund for the payment of Reservists (Equalization Fund) will refund the amounts spent by employers as payment to Reservists according to para 7 of the above Law. Claims for the refund of payments should be made by employers on Form 2 to the following district branches of the Equalization Fund:—

JERUSALEM BRANCH, STAURI BLDG. All employers who have to submit a statement in accordance with para 4 of the Income Tax Regulations to the Jerusalem Assessing Officer.

TEL AVIV BRANCH: BET HADAR — All employers who have to submit a statement in accordance with para 4 of the Income Tax Regulations to the Assessing Officers in Tel Aviv, Jaffa, Beersheba, Herzlia, Kfar Saba, Migdal Gad, Nathanya, Petah Tikva, Rehovot, Ramle.

HAIFA BRANCH: 33 REHOV HANAMAL — All employers who have to submit a statement in accordance with para 4 of the Income Tax Regulations to the Assessing Officers at Haifa, Bet She'an, Hadera, Tiberias, Taibe, Nahariya, Nazareth, Acre, Afula, Safad.

We also draw the attention of employers and employees to paras 15-17 of the Regulations on Annual Holidays (Kovetz Hatakanot No. 284), which oblige all employers to record in the Leave Books of employees working with the same employer or in the same place of work for less than 75 days, the details as requested in the specified section of the Leave Book and to endorse the details with his signature and stamp.

Only by following these instructions can employers assure workers of the above category, of payment for service in the Reserves through the Holiday Funds.

DR. G. LOTAN,
DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION FUND.

Soviets After Honours at Melbourne

Russia served notice last week that it was out to achieve its Olympic objective of winning the 1956 Games at Melbourne, Australia. Judging from their performance at Helsinki they may well attain it. The surprise of the 1952 Games, says the U.P. commentator, was the unexpectedly strong showing made by the U.S.S.R. and the other five Communist countries.

Soviet sportsmen, although disappointed that they did not win the Games after piling up a huge lead over the U.S. thanks to its men and women gymnasts, said the Games had taught them a lot and strengthened the championship bid they expect to make in 1956.

The Russians also revealed that they will keep pressing the International Olympic Committee to adopt officially the European system of scoring used by Russia. It differs from the unofficial American system in that it awards only seven points for a first place instead of 10. Otherwise it is the same, 5,4,3,2,1 points for the second to sixth spots.

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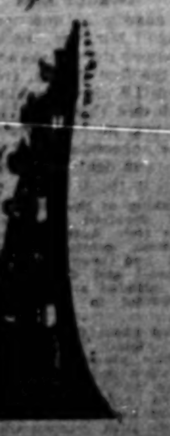

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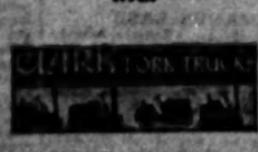

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ALL DOG owners must bring their dogs for inoculation against hydrophobia, to the RSPCA, near Mt. Zion in Jerusalem, between 10 and 12 noon on Thursday and Friday.

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A CARPENTER who had threatened a Ministry of Commerce inspector, [illegible], that he would cut his throat when the latter wanted information on luxury tax paid, was detained in Tel Aviv last Friday.

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A CHEQUE for IL.1,000 and 250 dollars in cash were found on a tourist and a new immigrant respectively in Haifa Port by Customs Police last weekend. Both were released on bail.

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A GENERAL cooperative store for the Ramle-Lydda area was opened in Ramle yesterday.

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THE MEETING of Israel members of the Zionist General Council, which was scheduled for Thursday, has been postponed for [illegible] reasons, it was announced yesterday.

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800 GRAMS of gold used for filling teeth, two fountain pens, and two gold [illegible], valued together at IL.1,000, were stolen Saturday night from the office of [illegible], a dental technician, in Rehov Lunz in Jerusalem.

Agudat Israel Discuss Conscription, Education

Military service for orthodox girls and the proposed modification of the trend system of education were discussed extensively yesterday at the first joint meeting of leaders of the Agudat Israel and Poalei Agudat Israel parties in Jerusalem yesterday.

It was decided to summon the meeting to enquire thoroughly into the parties' attitude on these topics after considerable opposition was raised at a recent meeting of the Rabbinical Council to the continued participation of Rabbi Yitzhak Meir Levin in the Cabinet.

Rabbi Levin and the other Knesset representatives of the two parties took part in the meeting at which concern was expressed over recent developments in the conscription and education issues.

The central bodies of the Aguda parties are to meet next week to decide on a joint attitude to be taken by their representatives in the Cabinet and in the Knesset.

Indians May Return At Own Expense

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — A group of 23 immigrants from India who are demanding repatriation have been squatting outside the Jewish Agency Immigration Department at 15 Rehov Tiomkin here for the last five days. Agency today issued the following statement:

"The Jewish Agency announces that it will no longer deal with the repatriation of [illegible] migrants to India. The immigrants are free to leave the country at their own expense."

The police have so far had no instructions to deal with this group which includes 14 children, one of them a [illegible] month-old baby. Many of the children are sick.

Water Found In Tira Village

Water has been found in Tira village in the "Little Triangle." The bore hole, drilled by the Mekorot Water Company, goes down to 175 metres and can deliver several hundred cubic metres of water an hour.

The village has good quality soil, but up to now has been handicapped by lack of adequate water supplies for irrigation. The new water source and the boring site were found by Dr. A. and Mr. E. Loehnberg, of Kfar Shmaryahu.

80 Families Sue Amidar for Repairs

Eighty families, who a year ago entered a housing settlement furnished by "Amidar" in the Katamon quarter, yesterday filed a suit in the Jerusalem District Court demanding that the firm undertake basic repairs in their apartments.

They charged that the ceilings leaked in the winter, and that the settlement was surrounded by mire in the summer in which mosquitoes breeded. Most of the apartments are of one room. (ITIM)

Personal Notice

With deep sorrow we announce the death at the age of 82 after a serious illness of our beloved husband, father and brother

David Wilker

The funeral has already taken place.

[illegible] Wilker, Jerusalem
Family Karl Wilker, Jerusalem
Family [illegible] Wilker, Tel Aviv
Family [illegible], New York
[illegible] Wilker, New York

Haifa to Install Parking Meters

HAIFA, Sunday. — The Town Council tonight unanimously approved a ten-year concession to a group of American investors to install parking meters in town.

The first 150 to 200 of the meters will be installed in the business area and are designed to solve the town's parking space and financial difficulties at one blow. The company undertakes to install, control and repair the meters, in return for 50 per cent of the income. The Municipality, which will receive the remaining sum, will control the income and budget of the company.

In the U.S., towns of a size comparable to Haifa earn $100,000 annually from the meters. They considerably help the towns balance their budgets, the Mayor said. The investors will raise all the money for the meters, and will re-invest profits in the country. The company will also have the option of renewing the concession.

The Council also decided to allocate IL.400 for the purchase of a bust of Shmaryahu Levin, by the sculptor Hanna Orloff, whose exhibition has just ended here. The discussion on the underground electric railway was held behind closed doors.

S.S. Athlit Here On First Visit

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM).— The s.s. Athlit, of 11,950 tons, the sixth vessel of the Israel-America Line, anchored off Tel Aviv today on her first visit to Israel. The vessel was bought in Emden, Germany, where the Israel flag was first raised aboard her.

From Germany the ship sailed to the U.S. and carried a load of coal from New York to Rotterdam. She returned to New York, and has now brought to Israel 8,700 tons of machinery, foodstuffs and general cargo, to be off-loaded here and at Haifa.

During the off-loading, improvements are to be carried out in the crews' quarters, and the ship will then be put into regular service between Israel and North American ports.

No Order Issued On Sabbath Work in Port

The Minister of Communications has not ordered a stoppage of work in Haifa Port on the Sabbath, it was officially stated in Jerusalem yesterday.

No work has been performed in the Port on the Sabbath, it was said, except in certain urgent cases when work could not be postponed.

The Ministry is considering at present only the length of the Friday work-day, it was said.

GERMAN GOODS AT HERUT CO-OP

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Omen cooperative store in Zichron Ya'acov, owned and operated by the Omen Company of the Herut party, is selling German-made chinaware at moderate prices and without formalities. No marriage slips are demanded before the sale of these goods, as is customary elsewhere, and they are sold to any comer.

According to the store manager, the goods are "good quality of foreign make." The stamp "Germany" is in most cases covered over by paper stickers.

Mr. Menahem Begin, the Herut leader, is at present on a tour of Latin-American countries to seek supporters for his "boycott of the German reparations talks and goods" campaign.

WELFARE OFFICIAL BOUND OVER

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM).— The head of the Welfare Department of the Holon Municipality, George Parosh, 54, of Jerusalem, was bound over [illegible] 500 to be of good behaviour for three years by the District Court here today. He had embezzled IL.175 from municipal funds in April and May, 1950.

Judge S. Kassan imposed a light punishment in view of the age and clean record of the accused. Parosh was ordered to repay the sum stolen at the rate of IL.10 a month.

REMANDED ON ILLEGAL DEPARTURE CHARGE

Suspected of leaving the country illegally in July, 1950 and crossing into Jordan, Yehuda Hazzan, 29, was yesterday ordered detained for five days by Jerusalem Magistrate M. Even-Tov.

The accused was arrested in Haifa Port five days ago when he asked permission to enter the country. He is being interrogated regarding his actions in Jordan.

LIKE ME, LIKE MY CATTLE

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — Mr. [illegible], a local farmer, reported for reserve military duty at the recruiting office here this morning with 67 head of cattle, two horses, a tractor and a plough trailing behind him.

Mr. [illegible] claimed that his wife had three small children on her hands and that there was no one else to take care of his livestock and machinery. He said he had applied twice for deferment but had been refused.

Military authorities ordered Mr. [illegible] home for the day pending an investigation and instructed the big crowd of onlookers to return to work.

Police Question Foundry Owners on Iron Thefts

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The owners of the Vulcan Iron Foundries of Haifa and of the Hayotzek Foundry of Tel Aviv and of Sdan and Gudver, both of Ramat Gan, have been detained for questioning and released by the local Police Criminal Investigation Branch following the discovery in their factories of a total of 120 tons of iron reportedly stolen from the Israel Railway stores in Hadera.

In addition, 12 other persons, some of whom had allegedly committed the thefts and others who acted as intermediaries, were also detained during the past four days.

Police here said that the total amount of iron stolen from the Hadera stores amounted to 350 tons, but that the figure was unreliable since there was evidence that some of those who had reported the thefts were involved with the thieves.

The detention of the suspects followed reports of a group in Jaffa which was spending money too freely out of "trade in iron." It was then discovered that the iron was brought in trucks to Tel Aviv and Haifa in the early hours of the morning, sold to the middlemen at IL.110 per ton and then to the factories at IL.150 per ton. This is the current price of iron under the scheme for imports without foreign currency allocation.

Police are now seeking 14 other persons believed to have been involved in the case.

Fined for Practising Without Licence

TEL AVIV, Sunday — For practising dentistry without a permit, Mr. Ehud Yaari-Kalb was fined IL.20 by Judge E. Mani here on Friday.

The judge found that the accused had been practising here and abroad for more than 15 years and that he fulfilled the conditions for the granting of a Dental Practitioner's permit, as laid down by the Knesset.

Since he had been practising while his application for permission was still pending, Mr. Yaari-Kalb was guilty of a technical offence for which a nominal fine was imposed. The court noted that his practice was not harmful as indicated by the fact that licensed dental surgeons had sent patients to him for treatment.

The accused was defended by Dr. [illegible]. Inspector [illegible] appeared for the prosecution.

Ministry Charged With Illegal Confiscation

A charge that the Ministry of Finance had illegally confiscated five valuable Persian carpets last December was filed in the Jerusalem District Court yesterday by Mr. Yehezkel Navi, of Jerusalem.

The charge sheet said that an economic inspector confiscated the rugs after charging that they had been brought into the country illegally. Five months later Mr. Navi received confirmation of the confiscation from the Ministry.

Mr. Navi said that the search of his home was illegal, since there was no search warrant. He further claimed he had paid duty on the rugs. (ITIM)

CREW RESCUED FROM SINKING LAUNCH

HAIFA, Sunday. — A motor launch of the Ogen lighterage company, which was on the verge of sinking outside the harbour entrance in Haifa Bay was spotted by the Port Police patrol boat this morning. It signalled for help and Police and Ogen launches speedily rescued the crew and most of the cargo before the ship sank.

RECOVERING.—A bulletin issued in Montecatini, Italy, last night said the Duke of Windsor is "recovering from a recent attack of gastro enteritis" and that he has cancelled travel plans for the next week or 10 days.

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Automatic Telephone Exchanges

Replying to questions at the Press Conference of the "Kol Yisrael" programme on August 7, Mr. H. Ben Menahem, the Postmaster-General, said: "Three telephone exchanges are now being erected in Tel Aviv."

The International Automatic Electric Corp., Chicago, U.S.A., whose General Agents in Israel are Engineering & Manufacturing Co. Ltd., 7 Rothschild Blvd., P.O.B. 1191, Tel Aviv, is supplying three exchanges: Yarkon (Tel Aviv), South (Holon) and Ramat Gan. (Advt.)

Boy Killed By Car

REHOVOT, Sunday. — Seven-year-old, Yosef Avraon, of the Givat Brenner ma'bara, was knocked down by a civilian command car on the Bilu—Gedera road this morning. The boy died on the way to Sarafand Hospital and the driver, Pinchas Perlmutter, 22, of Rishon LeZion was detained.

Child Drowns In Lake Kinneret

TIBERIAS, Sunday. — The seven-year-old son of Yehoshua Manosh, one of the veteran members of Degania "A," was drowned this morning in Lake Kinneret.

The boy, Avihu, was bathing with a group of children from the kibbutz when he began to sink, it was reported. A lifeguard brought him out of the water while he was still breathing and a passing doctor gave him first aid.

A Magen David Adom ambulance took the child to the Schweitzer hospital here where he died half an hour after admittance.

The funeral took place this afternoon.

Bandits from Jordan Get 10-Year Terms

HADERA, Sunday. — A military court, composed of three senior officers, sentenced two marauders from Jordan to 10 years' imprisonment each at its session here today.

The accused were caught in the "Triangle" area and found in possession of a pistol and a Sten-gun. They were sentenced to two years' imprisonment for marauding and eight years for holding firearms.

OIL STOVE BURNS MAN'S HOME

RAMLE, Sunday (ITIM). — Damage estimated at IL.7,000 was caused when an oil stove overturned and set fire to a two-roomed hut here today, completely destroying it and all its contents.

The hut was inhabited by Mr. Yitzhak Toserano, a newcomer from Rumania. The fire was fought by firemen from Rishon Le Zion and Sarafand.

Damage estimated at IL.6,000 was caused by a fire which broke out yesterday in the house occupied by Yitzhak Tucuan, of Ramle. No one was hurt.

Fire Brigades from Ramle, Rishon Le Zion, and Sarafand put out the blaze. The house belongs to the Custodian of Abandoned Property.

REPARATIONS

(Continued from Page 1)

and was of no concern to the Germans. Although no agreement has yet been reached between World Jewry and Israel on this issue, "both sides have a positive attitude," he said.

Regarding the spokesman's statement that it has not been decided whether to implement the "overall" or the "Reduced" plan, it has been learned that the development and purchase plan submitted by Dr. Throne to the Ministerial Committee contains only a general reference to the global figures of the total plan. In addition, it is noted that while Dr. Throne was preparing his plan he was informed that the development goods for development could be purchased only within a limited sum — (over [illegible].)

The detailed development programme was, therefore, prepared on the basis of the limited figures. As far as is known, neither the Government nor the Israel delegation at The Hague has formulated a detailed development and purchase programme for the larger sum.

Months' Work

Since Dr. Throne's general plan was submitted, no other detailed survey of the country's economy was made. Such a survey would be the only basis for preparing a detailed list of specified goods. The survey and preparation of the list will take months. One or two months are needed to prepare a list of those commodities to be received during the first year or two.

The drafting of such a list, moreover, depends on the decision governing priorities — the determination of which would be one of the basic tasks of the Reparations Authority recommended by Dr. Throne.

No decision has been yet taken on the appointment of personnel or on the establishment of the organisation needed to handle the reparations. It has been learned, however, that some weeks ago it was suggested that Dr. Giora Josephtal, a member of the Jewish Agency Executive and of the Israel Hague delegation, should head the body. Mr. F. Shinnar, another member of the Israel delegation, was mentioned as a possible head of the Purchasing Commission.

Old Military Site Uncovered

By [illegible]
POST Correspondent

PAPHOS, CYPRUS, Sunday — British archaeologists excavating at Kouklia, site of the Cyprus capital in Hellenic times, about 16 kilometres from here, have discovered a unique monument of ancient military art. For the past three years, they have been intrigued by a mysterious mound of rubble on the site. One theory has been that the mound hid a temple of Aphrodite.

The discovery during the six-week dig just finished of several tunnel systems running beneath the mound has helped the excavators to define the structure as a military installation, built by the Persians in the fifth century B.C.E. during their attacks on the Paphian Greeks. It is conjectured that the tunnels were dug by the Paphians in an effort to creep behind the Persian lines.

Countless relics and inscriptions have been laid bare. On the last day a fine woman's head of solid limestone dating back to the Egyptian domination of Cyprus in the seventh century B.C.E. was brought up. A rich hoard of gold, silver and ivory ornaments was found in six tombs within the site, while a huge building flanking the city's walls was also uncovered. Experts believe this to be finer than any hitherto traced on the island.

The British expedition, which is sponsored by St. Andrew's University in Scotland and the Liverpool Museum, aims chiefly at tabulating Cypriot finds and inscriptions in an effort to throw more light on the problem of who the ancient Greeks really were. The inscriptions, which are mainly in ancient Cypriot, a monosyllabic language, may help to clear up several linguistic mysteries of the ancient world.

Russians Claim They Discovered America

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — Soviet Admiral A. Golovko, writing in the "Izvestia," claimed today that Russian sailors were the first to discover the coasts of North America, the Antarctic and "a considerable part" of Africa.

Moscow Radio quoted the Admiral as also claiming that Russia was the first to invent "aircraft carriers, [illegible], submarines, torpedo [illegible], mine [illegible] and naval [illegible] equipment. Today Soviet shipbuilders and scientists were striving to make Soviet vessels and equipment "the best in the world," he added.

State Dep't to Handle Work of D.P. Agency

WASHINGTON, Sunday (INA). — President Truman signed an order today turning over to the State Department the tasks of the Displaced Persons Commission. The Commission will stop work on August 31, a little more than four years after the first Displaced Persons Law was passed.

The 336,000 persons eligible for entry into the United States comprised about 30 per cent of all the European D.P.s resettled and was the largest number taken by any nation. The total budget of the resettlement programme has been estimated at $100,601,000.

About 40 per cent of the D.P.s admitted to the U.S. by last January were Catholics, 35 per cent Protestant and Orthodox Church adherents and 19 per cent were Jewish.

PIONEER WOMEN TO SERVE IN MA'BAROT

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). — The first group of women enrolled by the Pioneer Women's Organization of America have sailed from here for one year's service in *ma'barot* in Israel. The women, who aim to relieve the shortage of teachers and social workers in the camps, will take a three month training course at Petah Tikvah before being sent to kindergartens and other jobs in *ma'barot*.

Triumvirate to Succeed Stalin Predicted by Louis Fischer

NEW YORK, Sunday, (UP). — The Soviet Union will be ruled by a triumvirate after the death of Marshal Stalin, Mr. Louis Fischer claims in his book "The Life and Death of Stalin," which was published here today. Mr. Fischer believes the logical successor to Stalin to be Lavrenti Beria, chief of the secret police. But, like Stalin, Beria is a non-Russian and prevailing nationalism might prevent his ruling alone.

"Beria's closest Russian ally appears to be Georgi Malenkov," Mr. Fischer writes, adding that Malenkov is too young to have had a pre-revolutionary record and has no link with Lenin. These two might thus be induced to join with Molotov to form a triumvirate.

The author predicts that the struggle between Russia and the West will centre on "that vast belt of countries stretching from Gibraltar to Singapore, in which modern industry and capitalism [illegible] rickety superstructure on a social edifice essentially feudal."

He considers the West's defences to be weak in the area "from the Iberian peninsula, around the Mediterranean littoral, through the entire Moslem world — except Turkey, which is uniquely firm, and Israel, — on to Southeast Asia.

"Unrest will continue in that vast retarded region until the Stalinists seize power by forceful coups and modernize the ancient feudalism, as Stalin has done in Russia, or until the advanced nations of the world carry out a social transformation or a social revolution, which, concretely, means the conscious fostering of new classes equipped with new economic and technical means to produce."

PROGRESSIVE PARTY MEETING OF CIVIL SERVANTS IN JERUSALEM

A meeting of civil servants in Jerusalem under the auspices of the Progressive Party and the Zionist Workers will be held at Goldschmidt Cafe tonight, Monday, August 11, at 8 p.m. Mr. Izhar Harari, M.K. will participate. Members and sympathisers are cordially invited.

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Shake-Up in Czech Youth Movement

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter).— Three leaders of the Czechoslovak youth movement were dismissed in Prague at a two-day youth leaders' conference, Prague Radio announced last night. Others have "resigned."

The radio accused the movement of "lacking cooperation with other organisations, especially with regard to the five year plan."

Zdenek Hajslar, Chairman, was expelled because of "Slanskyism and hostile acts against the movement," the Radio said.

Rudolf Legenbart, secretary of the Slovak Central Committee of the Czechoslovak Youth Union, was sacked "for serious mistakes in his work, fractionism and for concealing serious mistakes in the past." Karel Corvcka, secretary of the Central Committee, was "relieved of all his functions."

Ladislav [illegible], Secretary of the Central Committee of the Czech Communist Party, was elected acting head of the youth movement.

Youth leaders who "resigned their functions," the Radio said, included Josef Grohman, a member of the youth movement's central committee who was head of the Communist-led international union of students.

Rude Pravo, the central organ of the Czech Communist Party, today warned officials against "careless talk" in public places, as conversations on important government work overheard by enemies of the State could cause "tremendous damage." Key workers "must bear in mind that representatives of the former exploiters are still living among us."

FALASHA ENGINEER COMING TO SETTLE

MONTREAL, Sunday (INA). — A military mission composed of officers of U.N. forces fighting in Korea recently has arrived here. It includes Captain Tafare David Nukunna, Commander of the Ethiopian Engineer Corps. Captain Nukunna is a member of the Falasha community and speaks only French and Hebrew. He plans to settle in Israel to which country his wife, who is now in Canada, is sailing shortly. The captain will join her after an additional year's service in Korea.

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HAILSTORM — [illegible]

VOLCANO — [illegible]

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FLIGHT RECORD — [illegible]

REBUILDING. — The world-renowned Abbey Theatre in Dublin which burned down a year ago will be rebuilt on the old site. Work will begin soon.

STAMPS — The German Philatelic League has again been accepted as a member of the International Federation of Stamp Collectors which it left in 1936.

TRADE.—A German trade mission has arrived in São Paulo to discuss with Brazil's Foreign Ministry a trade agreement providing for the supply of substantial quantities of coffee to West Germany.

DIVORCE — The 9th Mrs. Tommy Manville received a Mexican divorce one Saturday. The blonde night club entertainer was married to the asbestos millionaire for 17 days.

ROYALTY — Thousands of Copenhageners and many foreign tourists welcomed King Frederik yesterday when he returned on his royal yacht from a tour of Greenland.

RESIGNS.—[illegible] Koirala, the Prime Minister of the Himalayan kingdom of Nepal, tendered the resignation of his cabinet to King Tribhuvana yesterday.

DIED. — Adolph Weinman, 81, a well-known sculptor, died in Port Chester, N.Y. on Thursday.

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2. Documentary Exhibition — Beth Haam Bldg.
3. Rishon LeZion Artists' Exhibition — Beth Haterbut "Levontin"

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10 a.m.— Memorial Ceremony in the presence of the Acting President.
11 a.m.— Opening of the Exhibitions:—
a) Paintings and Sculptures
b) Agricultural Exhibition
5.30 p.m.— Gathering devoted to the 70th Anniversary in the presence of the Prime Minister, Ministers and other leading personalities. Shefiah Orchestra conducted by M. Jacobsen.
9 p.m.— "Descending the Mountain" by Arieh Samsonov, Music — M. Lavri. Kol Yisrael choir and Orchestra. Decors — Dr. P. Loewy.
"Conquest of the Sea & Desert" Folk dance by the Sdot Yam dancing group. Directed by T. Zimbal.
11 p.m.— Onwards—Dancing in the streets

AUGUST 13
HARVEST FESTIVAL

12 noon—2 p.m. Play — "Turandot" performed by Shefiah dramatic group. Produced by Mrs. Ya'acov.
5.30 p.m.— Wine and Vine Carnival, produced by Dr. P. Loewy. Directed by P. Pelnig.
8 p.m.— Folk Dances — "The Daughters of Shilo," performed by Zichron youth. Directed by T. Zimbal. Choir.
9 p.m.— Choir Festival — massed choirs on one stage. Air display.
11 p.m.— Onwards—Dancing in the streets.

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A GOOD INVESTMENT

THE agreement announced yesterday between Israel and the United States Government whereby American investors can now receive their own Treasury's guarantee on certain fundamental aspects of their capital investment in Israel — its convertibility, freedom from expropriation etc. — should prove a new and effective stimulus to the flow of such private dollar investment into Israel's industry. It should also prove an effective antidote to those unprincipled slanderers of Israel's investment programme who have been busily at work traducing Israel's economy ever since the foundation of the State.

When criticism degenerates into calumny and when Israelis here and abroad join in a whispering campaign designed to discourage business men, then it is high time to call a halt. What useful purpose can be served by painting the picture darker than it is? Do some of the Government's opponents believe they can stop investors from coming here and thus bring about a debacle in which the Government will fall? Those who put their own personal and politically-partisan interests before those of the whole nation have failed in the past and will continue to fail in fuller measure in the future in view of such practical encouragements and protection to capital which this new agreement affords.

The Technical Cooperation Administration Director in Israel has stressed that private capital "with its wealth of technical and managerial skills and its intimate man-to-man contacts is the natural agent for handling the job "of helping Israel to increase its productive power and productivity as quickly and as economically as possible. He also looked forward to the time when such private capital would reduce the drain on U.S. Government funds to a minimum.

The T.C.A. programme represents, in a sense, an extension of the ideal of Abraham Lincoln who could not visualize a society half slave and half free. In the same way, T.C.A., whatever the strategical and military considerations which brought it into being, is rapidly — as history counts time — eliminating some of the world's worst economic dangers. In a country like Israel where there is a wealth of potential human talent available and where the efforts of Jewish pioneers have already achieved creditable beginnings, T.C.A. has got off to a flying start. In the first year the budget has been expended in the initiation of [illegible] projects. These include the realm of Public health where the programme emphasizes preventive medicine in checking the spread of contagious diseases especially in congested areas. The problem of productivity is being tackled by the provision of basic supplies for use in the New Productivity Institute set up by the Ministry of Labour. In irrigation the lack of technicians with a knowledge of modern techniques is being relieved. The ceramic industry is being modernized and extended while vocational training is being improved in all fields in order to provide local skilled personnel for a wide range of industry. Transportation, one of Israel's most acute key problems, is the subject of an extensive study involving the provision of a comprehensive transportation plan including the Negev. Technical aid has also been supplied to highway construction and maintenance. The vexed question of technical textbooks has been positively tackled. Finally a pilot plant is on the way for basic experimentation and research work in using the by-products of oil refineries.

One of the features of T.C.A. is that it is accompanied by an obligation upon Israel to set up a counterpart fund to finance its own co-operation in the venture. The moral value of such a step needs no emphasis or clarification. Already over IL.[illegible] of Israeli capital has been invested in this way. There are thus at present two major partners in the great task of preparing Israel for economic viability, the country [illegible] and the T.C.A.

If the agreement announced yesterday succeeds, as it should, in attracting private U.S. capital in an appreciable volume, [illegible] a unique combination of Israel, the Diaspora and one of the great nations of the world united in an attempt to bring a young nation on to economic independence. Let no [illegible] tongue or hand be lifted against so great an undertaking.

PIONEER VILLAGE PREPARES FOR WINE FESTIVAL

'No Beauty Like Zichron's...'

ZICHRON YA'ACOV, Sunday.—"THERE'S no beauty like Zichron's!" In the hall of the local council, tambourines are flaunted, feet prance, eyes flash, as 70 girls bring their dance to a finale with the new anthem of their township.

They perform with fire and zest, though the hall is drab and the hour near midnight; though they wear commonplace dresses instead of the picturesque costumes waiting for the Day; though they have been rehearsing almost without pause for the last three weeks. Relentlessly they have been put through their paces by a charge of energy named Tuva Zimbal, whose youthful verve is matched only by her drill-sergeant-like zeal for precision. And now the results are appearing. The conscious drill has become spontaneous self-expression: the spirit of the Biblical wine festival, *Hag Habatsir*, has entered these youngsters' blood. They seem indeed not to impersonate, but to re-incarnate the daughters of Israel who once danced in the vineyards during the month of Av.

Cardboard Fantasy

In the quiet courtyard of the school-house, the celebrated Dr. Paul Loewy has set up his atelier. Cardboard grotesques clutter up the yard: giant bottles, animal and bird masks, fantastic figures for tableaux drawn from history and legend, tell the story of wine down the ages. The broad fun and Latin flamboyance of carnival merge with Jewish tradition, where Noah and King Solomon, the 12 Spies of Moses and the *Hassidim* of the *Baal Shem*, all have their place. Quietly, good-humouredly, Paul Loewy is preparing his bombardment of surprises for the jubilee.

"There's no beauty like Zichron's!..." Perhaps it is just local patriotism. But at a short distance from the untidy main street the horizon broadens out on an incomparable view. The tawny hills of Samaria, the beginning of the Carmel range, the lush coastal plain and the jewelled Mediterranean reach away to east, north and west.

Faith and Martyrdom

They are putting the final touches to the amphitheatre where the dances, pageants and performances of the international choir will be held. No finer situation could be imagined than here, opposite the wine cellars, where vineyards carpet all the surrounding valleys and mount the hill-slopes. In groups the pickers are at work gathering the best vintage in living memory. The dances in the vineyards on the day of jubilee will not be a pseudo-archaism. The oldest and the newest folk-ways join hands: the daughters of Shiloh and the daughters of modern Zichron.

But Zichron's beauty resides also in unseen qualities and buried memories. The early houses with their heavy shutters and stuccoed fronts, the old synagogues and water tower, guard their secrets from casual visitors. This was a place of faith and martyrdom. The first settlers, 70 years ago, knew nothing of political Zionism, and had never heard the name of Herzl. Simple, pious folk of Rumanian townlets, their love of Zion was kindled straight from the Torah. In Fokshani and Braila, in Yassi and Botosani, they heard envoys from the Holy Land calling them to return to their country as peasants and tillers of the soil. Their sons would grow up like David in Bethlehem; their daughters like Deborah.

First 'Underground'

So they came, 132 men, women and children, to the barren ridge the Arabs called Zmarin, bringing with them in the ship the parts of their wooden huts. They suffered terribly in their first years. Malaria and dysentery, hunger and unaccustomed toil seemed to be all the land could offer; even their treasured scrolls of the law were pawned to buy bread. Then the great "Baron" took them under his patronage, trained them to plant vineyards and press the wine, built them a school, a water-tower, a synagogue. But in return they found themselves subjected to the tyrannical rule of the Baron's officials, and years of struggle lay ahead till they won the rights of free farmers.

The Hebrew-speaking children of the early settlers converted their parents' faith into a militant patriotism. In Zichron Ya'acov, during the first world war, "Nili," the Jewish underground, came into being, led by the world-famous agronomist Aaron Aaronson and his family. Their daring espionage was a major factor in the victory of Allenby over the Turks, the establishment of the National Home, and all that flowed therefrom. Neither prison nor torture nor hanging could break the determination of these young men and women, who died in the desert or by their own hand rather than betray their cause.

And now it is the day of the third generation. Zichron has grown and flourished with the years. Its numbers have increased to 5,000 inhabitants, its cultivated land to 30,000 dunams. In recent years it has become increasingly a centre for writers and artists, under the patronage of Lilian Friedlander, whose house and grounds have been placed at their disposal and for whom the Zichron festival is the fulfilment of an old dream.

Settlements and *ma'barot* have sprung up in the neighbourhood, which will have an important part in the celebrations. Zichron is indeed beautiful: it bridges the years proudly between the new Israel, the vanished diaspora of Eastern Europe, and the ancient Israel that is immemorial.

—W. L.

Readers' Letters

PLAYERS' THANKS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — It is my pleasant duty to express our gratitude to all who assisted us in organizing within three days the departure of our tennis team for Ankara.

Due to the fact that the invitation arrived very late, Mrs. E. Cohen-Minz had to replace Miss Kornfeld but had no passport in her possession, and as Mr. Finkelkraut was supposed to begin Army service tomorrow, the story is quite unique.

Our special thanks go to Mr. Akai, the second secretary of the Turkish Embassy, himself a tennis player who took the passports personally to the Consul General in Jerusalem and brought them back the same day; the Turkish Consul General for issuing complimentary visas, Dr. E. Simon and Dr. Avidor of the Department of Education, Mrs. Rappaport, Mr. Amir and Mr. Jaisch of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Kahanski of the Tel Aviv Migration Office, Mrs. Klein of the Treasury, A.S.P. Cohen and A/A.S.P. Rosenberg of Police Headquarters, the Army and to the unknown official of the Jerusalem Migration Office who issued a passport to Mrs. Cohen within two hours.

We are proud that so many Government Departments have shown an understanding of the importance of international sports events.

Yours etc.,
Dr. W. LANGE
Chairman
Israel Lawn Tennis Association

Tel Aviv, August 3.

U.S. RECOGNIZES BRITISH MEDITERRANEAN STRATEGY

Mountbatten Takes Over

By LEO HEIMAN

THE fact that the U.S. has finally agreed to the appointment of Admiral Mountbatten as Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean is a victory not so much of British prestige or of Mountbatten's undoubted personality as of British concepts of overall strategy and tactics.

The new arrangement springs from the recent visit of Admiral William M. Fechteler, U.S. Chief of Naval Operations, to General Eisenhower when the latter was still in Europe. It was then decided to press the appointment of a Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean (SACMED) as soon as General Ridgway took over. The Pentagon was then insisting on Admiral Carney's appointment to the SACMED post, and the British were equally adamant in refusing it.

As Mr. Churchill pointed out: "The nationality of the Allied Naval Commander in the Mediterranean has not become an issue. The difference between us and the United States is on the general question of Mediterranean naval strategy..." "It seems to me", Mr. Churchill continued, "that the whole problem resolves itself into one of the right use of sea power..."

Churchill's Opinion

Mr. Churchill added that in comparison with the oceans of the world the Mediterranean is only a small lake, and a landlocked one at that. But this small lake is the key to Europe, Asia, Africa and, finally, the British Empire. It is a single key, and it needs a single command. Any duality or division of command in this small area would be fatal, said Mr. Churchill, adding that only a supreme, independent Mediterranean Naval Command could ensure that flexibility required for any combined NATO action.

The American claim to the SACMED appointment was based on the following arguments: The United States Sixth Fleet now in the Mediterranean has some 80 warships and more than 500 carrier and land-based planes, greater firepower than the navies of France, Italy, Greece, Turkey and the British Mediterranean Fleet combined, without taking into account the immediate reinforcement potential, which is twice the number of American ships now present in the Mediterranean. It is unthinkable that this mighty force should be put into a subordinate position.

The U.S. Navy's Fleet Air Arm with its atomic and guided missile weapons has to be handled exclusively by the U.S. Navy itself under an existing law passed by the Congress some time ago.

Admiral Carney, Commander-in-Chief of Nato's Southern European Command (COMSOUTHCOM), had been given a second appointment as COMNAVSOUTH (Commanding Navies Southern Europe) which covers the navies of France, Italy and the Sixth Fleet, could be extended to cover the navies of Greece and Turkey and the British Mediterranean Fleet as well, with no special (SACMED) appointment being needed at all under such an arrangement.

The British admitted that the American "Sunday punch" strategy was all right in itself, and even had some advocates among the British admirals of the old school, but what was entirely wrong was the narrow American view that the main purpose of sea power in the Mediterranean is the limited function of supporting General Ridgway's southern flank in Europe, whether by "Sunday punches" or otherwise. This view gravely underestimates the strategic importance and potentialities of the Mediterranean, — the lifeline of the Empire, the main artery of the Commonwealth, and the hub of 157 sea lines of communication. The foremost duty of any naval commander in the Mediterranean is to keep these 157 lines open and to see all convoys safely through the area. And this is exactly what the British Royal Navy has been doing for the past 200 years.

Whether this task will be accomplished best by "Sunday punches," hunter-killer operations or escort actions, or all three, is a matter not of strategy but of tactics and is open to discussion by the local commanders, who can employ any tactical move at their own discretion.

British Case

Concluding the British case, the First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. J.P.L. Thomas, declared:

We realize that the Americans are not so much concerned with the nationality of a Mediterranean Naval Commander-in-Chief as with the question whether such an appointment is really necessary, since, according to them, Admiral Carney could carry out the same duties. Though the Americans are also fully aware of the importance of keeping all the sea routes open, they tend to regard the Mediterranean as part of the European defence structure. In any European campaign, however, the ultimate outcome will depend on the right use of sea power, for if the ships carrying the [illegible] of our [illegible] get through [illegible] everything else must fail...

"According to the new compromise agreement, Admiral Mountbatten takes over the appointment of Allied Naval Commander-in-Chief Mediterranean, which means the old (COMNAVSOUTH) Command and additional command of the navies of Turkey and Greece plus his own Mediterranean Fleet. If and when a separate Middle East Command is created, Admiral Mountbatten will become its naval commander as well, since his new appointment covers all naval activities in the Mediterranean. He will be directly responsible to Admiral Carney who remains his immediate superior.

Chain of Command

Thus, the chain of command goes now from General Ridgway, (SACEUR) through Admiral Carney, (COMSOUTHCOM) to Admiral Mountbatten (CINCMED). Strategic American naval aviation, which will probably include heavy carriers as well, will remain under Admiral Carney's direct command. On the other hand, Admiral Mountbatten is also responsible for the Gibraltar approaches, Gibraltar, Malta, Cyprus, Suez Canal, Red Sea, the Persian Gulf and Gulf of Aden, over which Admiral Carney has no authority.

If Tito and Franco decide to enter an official alliance with the West, their navies will also operate under Mountbatten. The Governments of France, Italy, Greece and Turkey have already declared that Admiral Mountbatten is acceptable, providing Admiral Carney retains the overall Supreme Command.

The proposed chain of command down from Admiral Mountbatten is as follows: Deputy CINCMED — Vice-Admiral John H. Cassady, USN, ComSixFleet; ComWestMed — Admiral Antoine Sala, French Navy, C-inC French Mediterranean Fleet; ComCentMed — Admiral Massimo Girosi, Italian Navy, C-in-C Italian Navy; and ComEastMed — A British Admiral, to be named by Admiral Mountbatten.

Dentists Take Busman's Holiday

NEARLY 400 Israel dentists closed their clinics and made a pilgrimage to Tel Aviv to attend a four-day conference at the beginning of this month. This would not have been the ideal season to hold a convention in Tel Aviv had we been free to pick a suitable date, but as we took advantage of the International Dental Congress held in London from July 19 to 26 and exploited the keen interest in Israel exhibited by some of the Jewish delegates, it was inevitable that the convention be held at this time.

The conference opened with an address by Dr. Yardeni in the presence of the Minister of Health, representatives of the Municipality and most institutions in the country. The Minister of Health answered and stressed the interest in and help to the projected Dental School on behalf of his department, and greetings were extended by the Municipality, the Medical Association, and other institutions.

Wealth of Material

When the convention settled down to its real business, a wealth of material was presented. The dentists were faced with a menu rich in choice but occasionally baffling, as the lectures, demonstrations, clinics and courses were held simultaneously. The convention bore a distinctly international character: the list of guest speakers included our old friend Dr. Penn, the plastic surgeon from South Africa; Dr. Masiansky, an oral surgeon from New York; Dr. Lifton and Dr. Jerrold of New York, both Orthodontists; Dr. Hildes from New York, a specialist in Children's dentistry; Dr. Schiel from California and Dr. Berger from Rhode Island, both prosthodontists (restorative work).

In spite of the deep interest in the scientific programme, there was a constant restless undercurrent of feeling in connection with the projected Dental School. During the morning session of the second day, the chairman of the planning committee of the Dental School, Dr. Lewin-Epstein, gave a report of the position of the project. He reported the establishment of an official committee made up of representatives of the Government, Israel Dental Association, the Medical School, the University and the Hadassah, to plan and carry out the erection of the School. He also stated that a fund has been established towards this aim by the Israel Dental Association, and solicited all dentists and institutions to support it to the utmost.

After four days of gruelling work the convention closed with a festive dinner at the Sharon Hotel, spiced with speeches and an artistic programme. A rich exhibition was arranged of all products and equipment in connection with the profession. It was gratifying to see the large number of locally produced articles. The general impression of the convention is that Israel Dentistry has come of age.

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ARCHIVES TRACE JEWISH SETTLERS

IN preparation for the forthcoming observance of the tercentenary of the first Jewish settlement in America, an expedition of scholars from the American Jewish Archives of the Hebrew Union College this summer is retracing the steps of the earliest Jewish pioneers seeking historical clues to their background.

Headed by Dr. Jacob R. Marcus, Adolph S. Ochs Professor of Jewish History at Hebrew Union College and director of American Jewish Archives, the expedition in following the route of the first Jewish wanderers who came in 1654 from Brazil to what was then New Amsterdam.

Financed by a Rosenwald Foundation grant, the scholars will visit Dutch Guiana and possibly Venezuela in South America, Curacao, St. Eustatia and other Dutch islands, the islands of Barbados, Nevis, Jamaica and other parts of the British West Indies, and the Virgin Islands.

With the aid of a new device—a light, portable photostat camera—the party will copy all historical documents relating to the lives of early American settlers in the West Indies as they moved toward the American mainland colonies. Wherever possible, descendants of Jewish colonial settlers will be interviewed in the quest for records and information throwing new light upon the past.

KEEPING POSTED

THE Prime Minister is reputed to enjoy nothing so much as his annual visit to the summer manoeuvres. This year his adventures have included being firmly kept out of a camp by the inevitable young soldier with orders "to admit nobody without the pass word," instructions that soldiers on manoeuvres like to carry out literally. On the other hand he arrived at another camp to find the commander of a prisoner of war cage in some difficulty because he had caught a man nobody could talk to. Mr. Ben Gurion discovered that the prisoner's language was Turkish, interrogated him, waved him back to the camp commander, and continued his visit.

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ADMIRAL Mountbatten's polished diplomatic manner covered up several surprises. The first of these came at a formal dinner party, at which the distinguished guest found himself placed between the Prime Minister and Sir Francis Evans, the British Minister. During a slight lull in the conversation he nodded at each neighbour in turn, and said "You two should have a good deal in common. Weren't you both corporals in the British Army during World War I?" and set off a flood of reminiscences.

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AT the reception in Mountbatten's honour given at the Haifa Naval Club it was the turn of Mr. Michael Simon, Chief of Protocol, to be taken aback. As an officer of the Naval Reserve he had turned up at the reception in a magnificent suit of white uniform, braid and all. As soon as the Admiral saw him he came up with a hand outstretched in apology. "My dear man," he said, "I am so very sorry, why didn't you tell me?" Mr. Simon was not at all sure what had gone wrong, and smiled deprecatingly. "If you'd only come on board like that instead of in those striped trousers, I would have had you piped on board."

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THE Egyptian cabinet's decision to abolish the Pashas and Beys together with King Farouk (though not the monarchy) has involved the Arab broadcasting stations in endless trouble, writes a correspondent. For years the announcers have been speaking about Azzam Pasha and Maher Pasha, and nothing else will drop off their tongues as glibly. Cairo has been busy apologizing for its slips ever since, and so have both the NEABS and Ramallah, though they make them all over again immediately after. The news never seemed to have got through to Helsinki at all, because the daily recorded messages never failed to refer to Ali Taher Pasha, the head of the Egyptian delegation. The rest of the programmes have been censored more carefully. There has been no mention of the royal family ever since, and a number of poems and talks which had earlier been banned have now been given prominence.

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THERE is a one-man ice crisis in Tiberias — the iceman's own, because he cannot find enough customers. As he walks his ice cart slowly round the town, selling a quarter block here and there, he calls out sadly "Don't you remember how you used to mob me last year? Don't you remember how you beat me up? Don't you remember the queues? I-ice!"

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Current, Deposit and Other Accounts				87,124,345	3	3
Acceptances				1,817,808	11	6
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				£96,199,380	1	7

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To Reserve for Contingencies	200,000	0	0
" Balance carried down	237,870	5	0
	£437,870	5	0

	£	s.	d.
By Balance brought forward	60,866	6	3
" Result for year ended December 31, 1951	258,058	8	11
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